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U.S. Airways Group, Inc.  
William Douglas Parker, Chairman and CEO  
111 W. Rio Salado Pkwy.  
Tempe, AZ 85281

APR 2 2010

**Re: Required Submission of Information  
Lower Darby Creek Area Superfund Site  
Delaware and Philadelphia Counties, Pennsylvania**

Dear Mr. Parker:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is seeking additional information concerning the release, or threat of release, of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants into the environment at the Clearview Landfill ("Clearview") portion of the Lower Darby Creek Area Superfund site, located in Delaware and Philadelphia Counties, Pennsylvania (hereinafter the "Site"). The specific information requested is attached to this letter as Enclosure E.

Pursuant to the authority of Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e), EPA has the authority to require the U.S. Airways Group, Inc. (hereinafter, "US Air" or "you") as the successor-in-interest to Allegheny Airlines ("Allegheny"), to submit information and documents in its possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of any of its employees or agents, which concern, refer, or relate to hazardous substances as defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14), pollutants and/or contaminants as defined by Section 101(33) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(33), which were transported to, stored, treated, or disposed of at the above-referenced Site.

Section 104 of CERCLA authorizes EPA to pursue penalties for failure to comply with that section or for failure to respond adequately to required submissions of information. In addition, providing false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. The information US Air provides may be used by EPA in administrative, civil, or criminal proceedings.

US Air must respond in writing to this required submission of information (see Enclosure E for a list of specific information requested) within **thirty (30) calendar days** of your receipt of this letter. US Air's response must be signed by an appropriately authorized official.

If, for any reason, you do not provide all information responsive to this letter, then in your answer to EPA you must: (1) describe specifically what was not provided, and (2) provide to EPA an appropriate reason why the information was not provided.

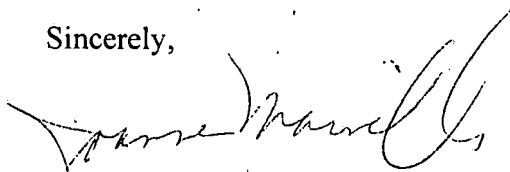
All documents and information should be sent to:

Ms. Carlyn Winter Prisk (3HS62)  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III  
1650 Arch Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

This required submission of information is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. Section 3501, et seq.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Civil Investigator Carlyn Winter Prisk at (215) 814-2625, or have your attorney contact Bonnie Pugh Winkler, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, at (215) 814-2680.

Sincerely,



Joanne Marinelli, Chief  
Cost Recovery Branch

Enclosures: A: Business Confidentiality Claims/Disclosure of Your Response to  
EPA Contractors and Grantees  
B: List of Contractors that May Review Your Response  
C: Definitions  
D: Instructions  
E: Information Requested

cc w/encl: Bonnie Pugh Winkler, Esq. (3RC44)  
Carlyn Winter Prisk (3HS62)  
PADEP

## Enclosure A

### **Business Confidentiality Claims**

You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering any part or all of the submitted information, in the manner described in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. Information subject to a claim of business confidentiality will be made available to the public only in accordance with the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If a claim of business confidentiality is not asserted when the information is submitted to EPA, EPA may make this information available to the public without further notice to you. You must clearly mark such claimed information by either stamping or using any other such form of notice that such information is a trade secret, proprietary, or company confidential. To best ensure that your intent is clear, we recommend that you mark as confidential each page containing such claimed information.

### **Disclosure of Your Response to EPA Contractors and Grantees**

EPA may contract with one or more independent contracting firms (See "Enclosure B") to review the documentation, including documents which you claim are confidential business information ("CBI"), which you submit in response to this information request, depending on available agency resources. Additionally, EPA may provide access to this information to (an) individual(s) working under (a) cooperative agreements(s) under the Senior Environmental Employee Program ("SEE Enrollees"). The SEE Program was authorized by the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984 (Pub. L. 98-313). The contractor(s) and/or SEE Enrollee(s) will be filing, organizing, analyzing and/or summarizing the information for EPA personnel. The contractors have signed a contract with EPA that contains a confidentiality clause with respect to CBI that they handle for EPA. The SEE Enrollee(s) is working under a cooperative agreement that contains a provision concerning the treatment and safeguarding of CBI. The individual SEE Enrollee has also signed a confidentiality agreement regarding treatment of CBI. Pursuant to Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(7), and EPA's regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 2.310(h), EPA may share such CBI with EPA's authorized representatives which include contractors and cooperators under the Environmental Programs Assistance Act of 1984. (See 58 Fed.Reg. 7187 (1993)). If you have any objection to disclosure by EPA of documents which you claim are CBI to any or all of the entities listed in Enclosure B, you must notify EPA in writing at the time you submit such documents.

Enclosure B

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List of Contractors That May Review Your Response

**Artic Slope Regional Corporation**

Contract # EP-W-05-052

Subcontractor: Booz-Allen & Hamilton

**Booz-Allen & Hamilton**

Contract # GS-35F-0306J (GSA Schedule)

**CDM-Federal Programs Corporation**

Contract # EP-S3-07-06

Subcontractors: L. Robert Kimball & Associates Inc.

Page Technologies Inc.

Avatar Environmental LLC

Terradon Corporation

**Chenega Global Services, LLC**

Contract #EP-S3-09-02

**EA Engineering, Science and Technology, Inc.**

Contract #EP-S3-07-07

Subcontractor: URS

**Eisenstein Malanchuck, LLP**

Contract #EP-W-07-079

Subcontractors: R. M. Fields International, LLC

James C. Hermann & Associated

MacRae & Company, Inc.

**Guardian Environmental Services**

Contract # EP-S3-07-02

Subcontractor: Aerotech, Inc.

Guardian Equipment

**Hydrogeologic (HGL)**

Contract #EP-S3-07-05

Subcontractor: CH2MHill

Sullivan International

**Kemron**

Contract # EP-S3-07-03

Subcontractor: Clean Venture/Cycle Chem Inc.

CMC Inc.

Los Alamos Technical Associates,

Inc.

Carlucci Construction

**Tetra Tech EM, Inc.**

Contract #EP-S3-05-02

**Tech Law, Inc.**

Contract #EP-S3-05-03

**Tetra Tech NUS, Inc.**

Contract #EP-S3-07-04

**WRS Infrastructure & Environment, Inc.**

Contracts # EP-S3-07-01 and #EP-S3-07-09

Subcontractors: AEG Environmental

Environmental Staffing

Veolia Environmental Services

Lewis Environmental Group

**Industrial Economics, Inc.**

Contract # EP-W-06-092

Cooperative Agreements

**National Association of Hispanic Elderly**

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Enclosure C

**Definitions**

1. The term "arrangement" shall mean every separate contract or other agreement or understanding between two or more persons, whether written or oral.
2. The term "documents" shall mean writings, photographs, sound or magnetic records, drawings, or other similar things by which information has been preserved and also includes information preserved in a form which must be translated or deciphered by machine in order to be intelligible to humans. Examples of documents include, but are not limited to, electronic mail and other forms of computer communication, drafts, correspondence, memoranda, notes, diaries, statistics, letters, telegrams, minutes, contracts, reports, studies, checks, statements, receipts, summaries, pamphlets, books, invoices, checks, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, policies of insurance, logs, inter-office and intra-office communications, notations of any conversations (including, without limitation, telephone calls, meetings, and other communications such as e-mail), bulletins, printed matter, computer printouts, invoices, worksheets, graphic or oral records or representations of any kind (including, without limitation, charts, graphs, microfiche, microfilm, videotapes, recordings and motion pictures), electronic, mechanical, magnetic or electric records or representations of any kind (including, without limitation, tapes, cassettes, discs, recordings and computer memories), minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or daily entries, agendas, notices, announcements, maps, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigation, schedules, price lists, data, sample analyses, and laboratory reports.
3. The term "hazardous substance" means (a) any substance designated pursuant to section 1321(b)(2)(A) of Title 33 of the U.S. Code, (b) any element, compound, mixture, solution, or substance designated pursuant to Section 9602 of CERCLA, (c) any hazardous waste having the characteristics identified under or listed pursuant to Section 3001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. § 6921) (but not including any waste the regulation of which under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq., has been suspended by Act of Congress), (d) any toxic pollutant listed under Section 1317(a) of Title 33, (e) any hazardous air pollutant listed under section 112 of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7412, and (f) any imminently hazardous chemical substance or mixture with respect to which the Administrator has taken action pursuant to Section 2606 of Title 15 of the U.S. Code. The term does not include petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or designated as a hazardous substance under subparagraphs (a) through (f) of this paragraph, and the term does not include natural gas, natural gas liquids, liquefied natural gas, or synthetic gas usable for fuel (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).

4. The term "pollutant or contaminant" shall include, but not be limited to, any element, substance, compound, or mixture, including disease-causing agents, which after release into the environment and upon exposure, ingestion, inhalation, or assimilation into any organism, either directly from the environment or indirectly by ingestion through food chains, will or may reasonably be anticipated to cause death, disease, behavioral abnormalities, cancer, genetic mutation, physiological malfunctions (including malfunctions in reproduction) or physical deformations in such organisms or their offspring, except that the term "pollutant or contaminant" shall not include petroleum, including crude oil or any fraction thereof which is not otherwise specifically listed or designated as a hazardous substance under CERCLA, and shall not include natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or synthetic gas of pipeline quality (or mixtures of natural gas and such synthetic gas).
5. The term "release" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing into the environment (including the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles containing any hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant), but excludes (a) any release which results in exposure to persons solely within a workplace, with respect to a claim which such persons may assert against the employer of such persons, (b) emissions from the engine exhaust of a motor vehicle, rolling stock, aircraft, vessel, or pipeline pumping station engine, (c) release of source, byproduct, or special nuclear material from a nuclear incident, as those terms are defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. § 2011 *et seq.*, if such release is subject to requirements with respect to financial protection established by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission under Section 170 of such Act, 42 U.S.C. § 2210, or, for the purposes of Section 9604 of CERCLA or any other response action, any release of source, byproduct, or special nuclear material from any processing site designated under 42 U.S.C. §§ 7912(a)(1) and 7942(a) and (d) the normal application of fertilizer.
6. The term "waste" or "wastes" shall mean and include any discarded materials including, but not limited to, trash, garbage, refuse, by-products, solid waste, hazardous waste, hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants, and discarded or spilled chemicals, whether solid, liquid, or sludge.
7. The term "you" when referring to an incorporated entity shall mean and include the incorporated entity and its agents and representatives, including, but not limited to, persons directly authorized to transact business on the entity's behalf such as officers, directors, or partners with which the entity is affiliated, employees, accountants, engineers, or other persons who conduct business on the entity's behalf, as well as affiliated entities, including, but not limited to, partnerships, limited liability companies, divisions, subsidiaries, and holding companies.

## Enclosure D

### **Instructions**

1. You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering any part or all of the information you submit. If you desire to assert a claim of business confidentiality, please see Enclosure A, *Business Confidentiality Claims/Disclosure of Your Response to EPA Contractors and Grantees*. You must clearly mark such information by either stamping or using any other form of notice that such information is a trade secret, proprietary, or company confidential. To ensure to the greatest extent that your intent is clear, we recommend that you mark as confidential each page containing such claimed information.
2. Please provide a separate, detailed narrative response to each question, and to each subpart of each question, set forth in this Information Request. If you fail to provide a detailed response, EPA may deem your response to be insufficient and thus a failure to comply with this Information Request, which may subject you to penalties.
3. Precede each response with the number of the question or subpart of the question to which it corresponds. For each document or group of documents produced in response to this Information Request, indicate the number of the specific question or subpart of the question to which the document(s) responds.
4. Should you find at any time after submission of your response that any portion of the submitted information is false, misrepresents the truth or is incomplete, you must notify EPA of this fact and provide EPA with a corrected written response.
5. Any terms that are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures that are defined in CERCLA shall have the meaning set forth in CERCLA. Definitions of several such terms are set forth in Enclosure C, *Definitions*, for your convenience. Also, several additional terms not defined in CERCLA are defined in Enclosure C. Those terms shall have the meaning set forth in Enclosure C any time such terms are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures.

Enclosure E

**QUESTIONS**

1. Describe Allegheny's corporate history in detail, including, but not limited to, the dates and states of Allegheny's incorporation, as well as information on any mergers and acquisitions, name changes, asset purchases/sales, etc. involving Allegheny between 1953 and the present which resulted in Allegheny's current status.
2. Identify all persons currently or formerly employed by US Air or its predecessor corporations, who have or may have personal knowledge of Allegheny's operations and waste disposal practices between 1953 and 1976 in the Philadelphia area. For each such person, state that person's employer, job title, dates of employment, current address, and telephone number. If the current telephone number or address is not available, provide the last known telephone number or last known address of such person.
3. Describe the types of documents generated or maintained by Allegheny concerning the handling and/or generation, storage, treatment, transportation, recycling, formulation, or disposal of any hazardous substance, hazardous waste, pollutant, contaminant or other waste in the Philadelphia area between 1953 and 1976.
  - a. Provide a description of the information included in each type of document and identify the person who was/is the custodian of the documents;
  - b. Describe any permits or permit applications and any correspondence between Allegheny and any regulatory agencies regarding the transportation and disposal of such wastes; and
  - c. Describe any contracts or correspondence between Allegheny and any other company or entity regarding the transportation and disposal of such wastes.
4. Identify every hazardous substance used, generated, purchased, stored, or otherwise handled at Allegheny's facilities in the Philadelphia area between 1953 and 1976. Provide chemical analyses and Material Safety Data Sheets ("MSDS"). With respect to each such hazardous substance, further identify:
  - a. The process(es) in which each hazardous substance was used, generated, purchased, stored, or otherwise handled;
  - b. The chemical composition, characteristics, and physical state (solid, liquid, or gas) of each such hazardous substance;
  - c. The annual quantity of each such hazardous substance used, generated, purchased, stored, or otherwise handled;

- d. The beginning and ending dates of the period(s) during which such hazardous substance was used, generated, purchased, stored, or otherwise handled;
  - e. The types and sizes of containers in which these substances were transported and stored; and
  - f. The persons or companies that supplied each such hazardous substance to your company.
5. Identify all by-products and wastes generated, stored, transported, treated, disposed of, released, or otherwise handled by Allegheny in the Philadelphia area between 1953 and 1976. With respect to each such by-product and waste identified, further provide:
- a. The process(es) in which each such by-product and waste was generated, stored, transported, treated, disposed of, released, or otherwise handled;
  - b. The chemical composition, characteristics, and physical state (solid, liquid, or gas) of each such by-product or waste;
  - c. The annual quantities of each such by-product and waste generated, stored, transported, treated, disposed of, released, or otherwise handled;
  - d. The types, sizes, and numbers of containers used to treat, store, or dispose of each such by-product or waste;
  - e. The name of the individual(s) and/or company(ies) that disposed of or treated each such by-product or waste; and
  - f. The location and method of treatment and/or disposal of each such by-product or waste.
6. EPA has information which indicates that Allegheny's waste was hauled by Maritime, Inc. (a/k/a Maritime Refuse, a/k/a Maritime Ship Cleaning) to the Clearview Landfill. Please provide all information, including copies of correspondence, contracts, invoices, purchase orders or other documents related to Allegheny's contract or arrangements with Maritime.
7. In addition, please provide the names of all individuals, companies, or municipalities with whom Allegheny contracted or made arrangements for the removal or disposal of waste from its Philadelphia area facilities between 1953 and 1976:
8. For each of the above-identified entities with whom Allegheny contracted or made arrangements with for waste removal and/or disposal, please identify the following:
- a. The person with whom you made such a contract or arrangement;

- b. The date(s) on which or time period during which such material was removed or transported for disposal;
  - c. The nature of such material, including the chemical content, characteristics, and physical state (i.e., liquid, solid, or gas);
  - d. The annual quantity (number of loads, gallons, drums) of such material;
  - e. The manner in which such material was containerized for shipment or disposal;
  - f. The location to which such material was transported for disposal;
  - g. The person(s) who selected the location to which such material was transported for disposal;
  - h. The individuals employed with any transporter identified (including truck drivers, dispatchers, managers, etc.) with whom your establishment dealt concerning removal or transportation of such material; and
  - i. Any billing information and documents (invoices, trip tickets, manifests, etc.) in your possession regarding arrangements made to remove or transport such material.
9. Please identify individuals employed by Allegheny who were responsible for arranging for the removal and disposal of wastes, and individuals who were responsible for payments, payment approvals, and recordkeeping concerning such waste removal transactions at your Philadelphia area facilities between 1953 and 1976. Provide current or last known addresses and telephone numbers where they may be reached. If these individuals are the same persons identified by your answer to Question 2, so indicate.
10. If you have any information about other parties who may have information which may assist the EPA in its investigation of the Site, including Clearview, Folcroft and Folcroft Annex, or who may be responsible for the generation of, transportation to, or release of contamination at the Site, please provide such information. The information you provide in response to this request should include the party's name, address, telephone number, type of business, and the reasons why you believe the party may have contributed to the contamination at the Site or may have information regarding the Site.
11. Representative of US Air:
- a. Identify the person(s) answering these questions on behalf of your establishment(s), including full name, mailing address, business telephone number, and relationship to the company.

- b. Provide the name, title, current address, and telephone number of the individual representing your establishment(s) to whom future correspondence or telephone calls should be directed.
- 12. If any of the documents solicited in this information request are no longer available, please indicate the reason why they are no longer available. If the records were destroyed, provide us with the following:
  - a. Your document retention policy;
  - b. A description of how the records were/are destroyed (burned, archived, trashed, etc.) and the approximate date of destruction;
  - c. A description of the type of information that would have been contained in the documents; and
  - d. The name, job title, and most current address known to you of the person(s) who would have produced these documents; the person(s) who would have been responsible for the retention of these documents; and the person(s) who would have been responsible for the destruction of these documents.

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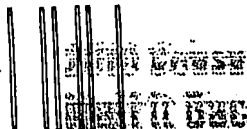
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